

for floodlighting and we would push for dollar for dollar State Grants - but not to be told to go somewhere else for 7 months of the year.

If we don't, or aren't allowed to, improve the amenities at Adamstown Oval then we have some sad news for NCC - our 15% won't amount to very much in the future as no-one will come to watch. Our top class facility would be severely embarrassed if more than 500 people want to sit down. A 2000 crowd is what we need to survive. To represent Newcastle. It's hard enough getting that many nowadays without asking 1500 of them to stand up when you do.

As Ald. Bill Hanley accused the Works Committee:- it's about time Aldermen started to make decisions rather than abrogating their responsibilities. It's not just your City - it's ours to. All sports deserve better facilities than we have in Newcastle. At a time when Federal Government is offering grants for sporting facilities and unemployment projects we aren't - you aren't - doing enough to bring that money to Newcastle.

Whether Council likes it or not, many people visit this city in and with sporting teams and must laugh at us as they leave. We know many of our soccer visitors do. With complete justification. Just name one city in Australia half our size that has worse sporting facilities than Newcastle has? We would love to improve our ground for our supporters and our visitors - but we can't do it without Council's help. Not just for our pride, but Newcastle's as well.

Which is just about where we started this article. Our City's pride and our team's will, and guts, against the odds to bring the Cup home to what many people regard as the home of soccer in Australia.

Unfortunately the argument wasn't about Macquarie Field or Harker Oval. In 1985 we'll do our level best to try to keep the Cup here. But we can assure you categorically it won't be at a Cup Final played in Newcastle. We just don't have the facilities. Once again we must apologise to our supporters and, with more than a little bit of shame, to our team. This time it was you that suffered by not having such a magnificent performance seen by your fans.

'1000' CAR CLUB.

Adamstown Rosebud Co-op. Ltd. have donated a car - 'a Suzuki Hatch' for the purposes of its sporting sub-committees. Newcastle Rosebud United SC stand to make considerable profit from the licensed club's gesture. Tickets are \$20 each. Those people interested in a chance at winning a new car and assisting the club should enquire at the Supporters Caravan on the ground.



**National Soccer League
of Australia**

NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD UNITED

v

PENRITH CITY

Saturday, 15th September, 1984

K-Off 2.30pm Adamstown Oval

Supporting Fixture:-

NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

NEWCASTLE "ALLCO" YOUTH

v

PENRITH CITY

Kick-off 12.30 p.m.

PRICE 30 CENTS

CIVIC RECEPTION

We would like to thank Deputy Lord Mayor, Don Geddes, for his best wishes before we left for Melbourne on Wednesday for the Cup Final. He promised the team a Civic Reception if they won. Yesterday afternoon we were proud to accept that reception. There was, however, one point on which Don was a bit rash. He also said "he would shout". Good job these lads are in training Don - you could have regretted that ! Our welcome back at Rosebud headquarters on Thursday was tremendous. Thanks to all our supporters and the staff at the Club. The aftermath has been the best part of the win !

GOOD LUCK DEREK TODD

All supporters will be disappointed to learn that Derek Todd, our striker, is playing his last match for Newcastle Rosebuds United against Penrith City this afternoon. Derek is returning to England on Monday and there are no plans for him to return.

He is going "home" to get engaged and has informed us that he feels his future fiancée wishes to remain in England.

Toddy has a trial lined up with Bradford City in the Football League.

All of us at Rosebud are sorry to see him go. He's certainly had an impact on the team and his performance in the Cup Final last Wednesday showed us that he will take some replacing.

We are sure that all our supporters will wish Derek well. Good Luck Toddy. We hope you'll come back and see us one day.

O' LORD IT'S HARD TO BE HUMBLE

to the tune of "O' Lord it's hard to be humble" try the following words in the chorus:-

O' LORD IT'S HARD TO BE HUMBLE,
WHEN YOU'VE JUST BEAT CROATIA ONE-NONE,
CROATIA ARE WELL WORTH BEATING,
IT'S A JOB THAT'S NOT EASILY DONE,
BUT, WE ARE THE BOYS FROM NEWCASTLE,
CROATIA WILL KNOW WHAT WE MEAN,
FOR THE CUP THEY WEREN'T JUST UNLUCKY,
THEY WERE BEAT BY A BLOODY GOOD TEAM.

Sounds good to us !!

AUSTRALIAN CONFERENCE

	P	W	D	L	F	-	A	PNTS
SYDNEY CITY	24	16	6	2	59	-	18	38
SYDNEY OLYMPIC	24	13	7	4	53	-	25	33
LEICHHARDT	24	11	7	6	38	-	28	29
MARCONI	24	10	6	8	45	-	34	26
MELITA EAGLES	24	8	8	8	23	-	26	24
PENRITH	24	7	10	7	26	-	33	24
SYDNEY CROATIA	24	6	10	8	27	-	35	22
BLACKTOWN CITY	24	8	6	10	34	-	46	22
CANBERRA CITY	24	10	1	13	41	-	35	21
ST. GEORGE	24	6	9	9	33	-	35	21
NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD	24	9	3	12	30	-	48	21
WOLLONGONG CITY	24	4	4	16	16	-	52	12

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	P	W	D	L	F	-	A	PNTS
SOUTH MELBOURNE	24	15	3	6	40	-	18	33
HEIDELBERG	24	13	6	5	35	-	23	32
MELBOURNE CROATIA	24	11	7	6	34	-	26	29
BRUNSWICK UNITED	24	11	4	9	31	-	36	26
FOOTSCRAY	24	10	4	10	27	-	26	24
BRISBANE LIONS	24	10	4	10	34	-	34	24
GREEN GULLY	24	8	6	10	30	-	31	22
PRESTON	24	8	5	11	37	-	33	21
ADELAIDE CITY	24	8	4	12	26	-	30	20
BRISBANE CITY	24	8	4	12	17	-	31	20
WEST ADELAIDE	24	7	4	13	37	-	46	18
SUNSHINE G.C.	24	4	6	14	19	-	47	14

NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	-	A	PNTS
A.I.S.	21	14	3	4	46	-	22	31
MELITA EAGLES	21	11	4	6	39	-	30	26
ST. GEORGE	21	11	4	6	46	-	39	26
NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD	21	10	6	5	30	-	24	26
LEICHHARDT	21	10	4	7	34	-	26	24
CANBERRA CITY	21	11	2	8	41	-	35	24
SYDNEY CITY	21	9	2	10	46	-	32	20
MARCONI	21	7	5	9	32	-	38	19
SYDNEY OLYMPIC	21	8	2	11	44	-	45	18
BLACKTOWN CITY	21	7	3	11	21	-	36	17
SYDNEY CROATIA	22	6	3	13	25	-	40	15
PENRITH	21	6	2	13	31	-	48	14
WOLLONGONG CITY	21	6	2	13	35	-	55	14

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE

SATURDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER 1984 at ADAMSTOWN OVAL

KICK-OFF 2-30PM

NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD UNITED

V

PENRITH CITY

- G. CLINT GOSLING
2. RALRH MAIER
3. MICHAEL BOOGAARD
4. NEIL OWENS
5. ANDREW THOMPSON
6. JOHN McQUARRIE
7. JOE SENKALSKI
8. SIMON BRANDT
9. DEAN MILOSEVIC
10. DEREK TODD
11. DAVID JONES
12. BERNARD KERBY
13. STEVE ALLEN

- GIBSON
- BROGAN
- CROSS
- DALEY
- McINTOSH
- NIX
- AINSWORTH
- HALE
- COTTON
- HUNTER
- JACKSON
- WOTHERSPOON

COACH:- WILLIE GALLAGHER

COACH:- WILLIE WALLACE

MAN OF THE MATCH.

The Newcastle Rosebud United Players are playing
for a sponsored Man of the Match prize donated by:

GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS
SHOP 3
MARKET SQUARE

The prize is to the value of \$50. We thank Gentlemen's
Outfitters for their Sponsorship.

Liquid refreshment on the ground today, and at the after
match function, is provided by Carlton and United Breweries. We
can only hope that, despite the liquidation of Newcastle KB
United, the Company will continue its sponsorship of soccer in
Newcastle and Northern NSW in future years.

NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

NEWCASTLE 'ALLCO' YOUTH

V

PENRITH CITY

- G. STEVE DORMAN
2. MARK JONES
3. JEFF PERRIN
4. ROSS MILOSEVIC
5. PETER McGUINNESS
6. BILL TONKIN
9. GLEN CAMERON
10. MATTHEW GARLAND
12. TERRY MASON
14. DARREN STEWART
15. RUSSELL TURNBULL
- G. MICHAEL HAMPTON
16. ANDREW HAMILTON

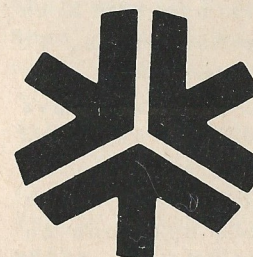
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- TINSLEY
- MONTGOMERY
- CARBONE
- CAMPBELL
- TOOHEY
- VAUGHAN
- COLLUSSO
- FELIX
- LOUVE
- SHUTE
- PETERSON
- FITZHARRIS

PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD.

A. GONINAN & CO.(ENGINEERS) OF BROADMEADOW have kindly
offered to sponsor the Newcastle Rosebud United "Player of
the Year". The prize for the winner is \$1,000 and a
medallion. Might we record our warm appreciation of the
Sponsorship from A. Goninan.

We acknowledge and thank the area's largest selling
newspaper, the Newcastle Herald, for assisting us
with advertising our home matches.

DON'T LET A DAY GO BY WITHOUT IT!



WE RECORD OUR WARM APPRECIATION TO
ATTACK SPORTS OF ALBURY AND CATALOGUE
AND CLUB SALES, NEWCASTLE FOR THE PROMPT
ASSISTANCE AND SPONSORSHIP GIVEN TO
NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD UNITED IN OUTFITTING
THE TEAMS WITH PLAYING STRIP.

OUR CUP

The statement above mirrors our pride. Yes, it is OUR cup. It runneth over and was earned by a superb team effort against the odds. That is the essence of cup-tie football.

At the moment of victory at Olympic Park, the only disappointment was to see just 12 spectators sporting Newcastle colours. Oh that the victory could have been watched by many, many more. Our supporters deserved to see it - and our team deserved to have it seen.

The choice of venue - Melbourne Croatia's home ground, Olympic Park, - and the refusal of the National League to set the match for Newcastle, sparked off extensive controversy and criticism as to why another ground, in particular Lake Macquarie, was not considered instead of Harker Oval.

We would like to make one thing very clear. The match was always going to be set down in Melbourne and we were aware of that fact before we won the semi-final against Leichhardt. Our match programme on 18th August, in attempting to give explanation as to why the semi-final had been taken from Newcastle, closed with the paragraph:- "We apologise to our supporters. We intend to go to Sydney on the 29th August and win. A fortnight later we would have to go to Melbourne to play the final."

Olympic Park, Melbourne, in our opinion, is the best soccer pitch on this continent. It is an honour to play there. The National League Cup Final was always intended to be played there. But there was one horrible snag for the NSL when Melbourne Croatia beat Footscray in the other semi-final. It is Melbourne Croatia's home ground! The NSL had even insisted on "neutral" venues for the semi-finals of the National Youth Cup. We had to play our Youth Cup semi at Sydney Athletic Field when our seniors were not 15 minutes away at Barton Park - which would have been a neutral ground for both ourselves and our opponent, Sydney Croatia.

If we had made no approach to have the Final in Newcastle the NSL had one hell of a problem. We unwittingly helped the NSL out of its embarrassment by proposing Harker Oval. We proposed Harker Oval for the final because it is a ground from which NBN 3 can easily televise. Glasgow Rangers v Australia at Macquarie Field was a huge success because of the promotion on NBN 3. Without that kind of promotion you just cannot succeed nowadays. Our approach to the NSL, in desperation to have the match in Newcastle, was quite simple - let the O/28 network use NBN 3 to televise the match live on the O/28 network from Newcastle. It could not be done live from Melbourne because Melbourne is part of the O/28 network. With that kind of approach we would have hoped, because NBN stood to make a quid, NBN would have promoted the match because we certainly don't have that kind of money to do it ourselves. It was a good idea, and we are not really sure why it wasn't accepted. The NSL then threw in its opinions on Harker Oval and thankfully put the match where it had always been

set down for - Olympic Park, Melbourne. No argument needed about "neutral" ground. After all, we had had our chance hadn't we? Such a pity about the surface at Harker Oval! Rather cruelly the NSL then threw in the red-herring regarding Macquarie Field. So the NSL got off the hook - and dumped us into the frying pan of local controversy. And didn't we cop heaps? But we headed where we were always going to have to go - Olympic Park. And what fools we were to force ourselves in the direction of Melbourne by not using Macquarie Field? What bull. Once upon a time there was a club called Newcastle KB United.....all other arguments aside, it didn't survive using grounds it had no control over. We thank Lake Macquarie for its offer, no offence. Your facilities are far better than ours. Your offer and concern were probably very genuine so that the match could be played in this area. But we would like everyone to realise that we have had to spend, and find, \$50,000 to reach the position where you could make that offer. We need the opportunity to make our finances on our own facility, on big matches such as this. Otherwise the next bedtime story will be "once upon a time there was a club called Newcastle Rosebud United....."

In that vein, our choice of Harker Oval was also political. At that time, we had no assurance that we could complete our season, or start 1985, at Adamstown Oval. Alderman Vic Bell, President of Newcastle Junior Soccer Association, in his motion to Newcastle City Council Works Committee against extended use of Adamstown Oval by Newcastle Rosebud United, said "he would not stand by and see any sportsman disadvantaged". We've got news for Ald. Bell. At the level we are playing at we are very much disadvantaged. Adamstown Oval is home, sweet home, and is as good a soccer ground as there is in Newcastle. Come with us sometime Ald. Bell to Hindmarsh Stadium or the Athletic Field in Adelaide, Bruce Stadium in Canberra or Olympic Park in Melbourne. Have a look at the full size artificial surface at the Australian Institute of Sport or the privately owned grounds at Barton Park or Maitland Eagles. Come look at Perry Park or Richlands in Brisbane. Then take a good hard look at one of Newcastle's "best" soccer fields at Adamstown Oval and welcome the visiting teams to our supreme facility! Feel ashamed Ald. Bell. We are. And so should Newcastle City Council. Other cities find the money and campaign for State and Federal grants. Why not Newcastle? Why not a lottery for Sport run by Newcastle City Council. An Opera House was built that way in Sydney.

What amazed us, listening to the twin debates in City Council on No.1 Sportsground and Adamstown Oval was the attitude that cost was paramount on the Sportsground as there are now very few events to bring the Council a profitable 15% levy for the upkeep. When we attempt to discuss our contribution to Adamstown Oval and the amount soccer is playing in 15% levy, we are told that that isn't taken into account? Fair go boys - you can't have it both ways. As we've pointed out there is money available immediately